(c) is any period fixed in the agreement referred to; if so, what is such period;

(d) what is the estimated income from the transport of such timber early?

Mr. K. Ramunni Menon.—(a) The Anamalais Timber Trust Ltd., have been allowed to transport timber through the State Tramway.

(b) (1) The contractors should transport 7,000 candies of timber in one year in the proportion of 5 of teak and rosewood to 3 of junglewood.

(2) The usual transport charges allowed to private contractors should be paid.

(3) They should remit Rs. 10,000 as security and another Rs. 6,000 as advance against transport charges.

(4) They should pay a levy of 4 annas per candy for transporting the timber through Cochin Forests.

(c) Yes; one year for the present.

(d) Rs. 61,750.

Expenditure—Tramway.

114. Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Will the Government be to state:—

(a) the total capital expenditure on the Tramway;

(b) the area which was estimated to be served by the same;

(c) whether any portion of such area remains to be served; and if so, its extent?

Mr. K. Ramunni Menon.—(a) Rs. 20,67,651.

(b) 128 sq. miles.

(c) Yes. An extent of 38 sq. miles remains to be tapped.

Telephone connections.

115. Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Will the Government be pleased to state why there are no telephone connections in the Legislative Council office and the Diwan's Bungalow and the date when they will be installed?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—There is a telephone connection in the Diwan's Bungalow. The necessity for one in the Legislative Council office has not been felt.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Sir, am I to understand that the Chief Engineer is to dictate to the interests of the Hon'ble Members here?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—The question does not arise, Sir.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—It does arise,

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